

NO. 4097. WEATHER—Fair; Much Colder. MAY SUSPENDED FASSENOR TRAVEL IN WEST U.S. Army Officer Commits Suicide After Murder of Four

DEATH OF U. S. CAPTAIN CLEARS UP MYSTERY IN KANSAS CAMP; LEAVES FAREWELL NOTE TO WOMAN

Lewis Whisler Fires Bullet Through Brain After Four Men Are Found Dead in Army Bank. VICTIM IDENTIFIES DEAD SLAYER

Kearney Wornall, Wounded Employee, Says He Was Attacked When Others Were Killed; Stolen Money Recovered.

Camp Funston, Kan., Jan. 12.—The suicide here today of Capt. Lewis Whisler, of Company E, 354th Infantry, has solved the most atrocious quadruple murder in Kansas history. Two bullet wounds in the head, his blood-stained uniform tucked behind his locker in his quarters where he ended his life, a note to a woman whose name has not yet been made public, and a trail of money and blood-stained handkerchiefs from the bank to near his quarters gave indisputable evidence, the police say, that it was Capt. Whisler, of Salina, who murdered Charles Fuller Winters, John J. Jewell, J. Hill and Andrew Ohlson and seriously injured Kearney Wornall in the army bank of Camp Funston last night. Fifty Dollars Reward. The body was wheeled to the bedside of Wornall in the hospital, and he positively identified it as that of the murderer. Wornall has a chance of recovery, medical officials say. Wornall tonight, after identifying the body of Whisler, told of the killing. He said Whisler came in and remained here until he came to stick up the plan. "I am not kidding. I mean it," he declared. "All thought him to be fooling. "I'll show you I mean what I'm talking about," he said and then, according to Wornall, he reached over and knocked Winters unconscious with the butt of his revolver. Then, said Wornall, he pointed his gun at Wornall and made him gas and bind John Jewell, editor of Camp and Trench, a weekly camp paper, who was waiting for Wornall to finish his work, and Ohlson and Hill. "While the men were lying on the floor bound the slayer took out the hand axes he had with him and battered and cut his victims, and finally turned on Wornall. Wornall's worst injury is a deep gash across his face and one on his forehead and a less serious cut on his left cheek. When the murder was discovered about 8:30 o'clock, all members of the military police were called out and given fifteen rounds of ammunition each. "Challenge once and if anyone refuses to halt shoot to kill," was the order. Two companies of infantry were detailed to Army City and the bank was turned into a temporary police headquarters. If Whisler took any large amount it has not been found, only about \$50 being picked up at scattered intervals along his trail after the killing. It was also discovered, the police say, that Capt. Whisler intended to commit more murders, as this morning he obtained two more hand-axes exactly like those used in the murder of his four victims in the bank from the supply company of the regiment. Cool and collected, Capt. Whisler attended the daily conference of officers of the Eighty-ninth Division this morning. He sat with other captains, majors and colonels and listened to all that was going on, apparently head and a less serious cut on his left cheek.

SAYS GERMAN DYE SECRETS ARE REVEALED

J. Leyland Offers Process to British Government; Officials Skeptical.

By FRANK W. GETTY. Special Cable to The Washington Herald and New York Tribune. London, Jan. 12.—German dye secrets are now offered to the British government. John Leyland, who conducted the investigations into the long-sought Teuton secrets, told me today: "If we did not have the formulae, Germany could hold up her nose to the war and we would be compelled to submit to any indignity in order to induce her to sell them to us on her own terms. "Now that the actual secret is in our hands, this will not be possible, as we can make our own dyes, either in government or in private factories. I would rather the government took over the formulae, although there is no difficulty in my finding large financial support to exploit the dyes as an ordinary business enterprise. "It is taking two years to accomplish what should have been possible in months, namely, the research carried out by men in Switzerland and only just now completed. Secret Discovered. "I sent Mr. Rowe, a chemist, to Switzerland last September. He remained there six weeks, carrying out experiments and tests and just before Christmas I received complete formulae from Switzerland, together with some dye crystals in different forms which glister like permanent colors of potash. "We have 257 solid colors from which hundreds of thousands of variations may be obtained. Government experts I have seen are rather doubtful about these being 257 varieties of dyes known only to the Germans and say nearly every formula existing for making dyes is known to British chemists and that if any new ones are put on the market the formulae can be discovered. Regarding this point Leyland said: "While we know the bases of the German dyes, we did not know how to make use of this knowledge. That is because the secret was jealously guarded by the Germans. "Badische factories, where more than 600 expert chemists are employed, each man is confined to his own special work and is not allowed to know anything beyond it and in this

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Kaiser Has Ananias Backed Off Boards As Real Liar--Billy

Evangelist Tells Audience of 7,000 God Almighty Never Gave Any Lobster Right to Rule the World; "It's All Poppycok."

By ARTHUR JOYCE. "When the Kaiser was in swaddling clothes, playing with his toes and fighting off the colic, old Count Bismarck put over Germany's present system of 'international piracy.' That's the way Billy Sunday 'doped it out' last night at the Tabernacle before 7,000 persons. The point he wanted to make was that 'Germany's stunt of stealing from its neighbor' isn't at all new. And to back up his assertions Billy pointed to the 'theft' of Alsace-Lorraine from the French through the efforts of Bismarck, and the 'robbery' of Schleswig-Holstein from Denmark under a 'false pretext.' "Old Bismarck sure put it over on France and got away with Alsace-Lorraine," said Billy. "Germany had her eye on the iron mines of this, France's possession and through a forged telegram or something of that sort, Bismarck inveigled France into the Franco-Prussian war and stole Alsace. Germany knew that it could get 900,000 tons of iron and of those things about one-half of what the Kaiser's bunch needed to keep going—and Bismarck went to it and copped the prize." Divine Right Poppycok. The evangelist took a hard aim at the "divine right of kings" idea advanced by "Kaiser Bill," and declared that "God Almighty never gave any lobster on earth the divine right to rule the world." Prussian militarism hides behind the "divine right" cloak, emphasized Billy. But he declared the hiding won't be for long, since "the days of kings on this earth are numbered" and the "divine right" doctrine is "all poppycok." "The people of this world will rule through their chosen agents," declared the evangelist. "That's why America is going to win this war just as sure as the sun shines and the birds sing. God is on our side in this war. There's no getting away from that fact. And He's not going to let any good-for-nothing, God-forsaken bunch like the Kaiser's crowd put anything over on this country. Not on your tinseltop!" In Billy Sunday's opinion, prayer isn't the only thing needed to "put down the Kaiser."

RUSSIA YIELDS AND ARMISTICE IS RENEWED

Trotzky Drops Demand for Transfer of Negotiations. Parleys Resumed.

Amsterdam, Jan. 12.—The armistice between Russia and the central powers was extended one month today, the Teuton delegations at Brest-Litovsk accepting a proposal to that effect by the Bolsheviks. Leon Trotzky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, who heads the Russian delegation at Brest-Litovsk, dropped the demand for the transferring of the peace parley to neutral soil. The Bolshevik leader did not show the slightest symptoms of meek surrender. In a fearless speech through which he rang a note of triumph for the realization of the hopes of Junkerdom—he told the central powers delegation that the Russian side would defend itself. He urged a "holy war," and says he wants "only strong men who are fighters." First Russian comment upon President Wilson's peace aim speech to be received in Germany in favor of the official organ of the Bolsheviks, the Pravda. It refers to the American Executive as "the head of a rapacious imperialism and the greatest hypocrite history has ever known." "First Russian comment upon President Wilson's peace aim speech to be received in Germany in favor of the official organ of the Bolsheviks, the Pravda. It refers to the American Executive as "the head of a rapacious imperialism and the greatest hypocrite history has ever known." "First Russian comment upon President Wilson's peace aim speech to be received in Germany in favor of the official organ of the Bolsheviks, the Pravda. It refers to the American Executive as "the head of a rapacious imperialism and the greatest hypocrite history has ever known."

NO SURRENDER CALL GETS ANSWER 'NEVER'

Heroism of Jackies on Luckenbach Told by Navy. How the naval gun crew of the American steamer J. L. Luckenbach successfully fought off for four hours the attacks of a German submarine until a destroyer forced the U-boat to submerge, is told in detail today in an official account by the Navy Department. The engagement described took place on October 1, while the vessel was en route to a French port. The U-boat subjected the merchant craft to a heavy shelling that injured seven men, started a small blaze aboard, and temporarily put out the engines of the ship. "Don't surrender!" Ratched the commander of the American destroyer that caught the Luckenbach's distress call. "Never!" was the laconic reply. All members of the armed guard have been commended by the Navy Department for gallantry in action, and the commander has been given the temporary warrant of boat-swain in recognition of his services.

U. S. ARMY OFFICER NAMED IN LOVE SUIT

Maj. Boyd Wales, Now in France, Sued for \$25,000. New York, Jan. 12.—Maj. Boyd Wales, of a field company, now in France, was made defendant in a \$25,000 alienation suit just before he sailed for active service, it transpired today. Maj. Wales was once candidate for governor of South Dakota. The plaintiff is John Grifson, a ticket seller for the Long Island Railroad. He charges undue friendship between his wife, Marguerite Grifson, and Maj. Wales. Their acquaintance, it is alleged, started at Camp Mills. Maj. Wales is married and a father.

COUNTRY, IN WINTER'S GRIP, MENACED BY LACK OF FOOD AND FUEL; MANY CITIES CAUGHT IN VISE OF STORM

Miraculous Escape Imputed to Prayer

Fierce Alabama Cyclone with Death and Damage in Wake Diverted from Path as Teacher Prays for Children.

Dothan, Ala., Jan. 12.—What is looked upon as a miracle in prayer was enacted during the storm which passed over this section of Alabama last night, leaving destruction in its path, and from which the people are slowly recovering, when the deadly gale changed its course at Pleasant Plains Schoolhouse, near Webb, Ala., while Miss Forrester, teacher at the school, prayed for the wind to turn from its course. Miss Forrester gives a graphic account of the horrors of the cyclone, hearing a great noise, she says, she thought it was an explosion. She went at once to the door of the school house and opened it. It was then that she realized that the school was directly in the path of a cyclone. The clouds were of a greenish tinge and the power of the devastating winds was clearly marked along the path of the storm. Prayed for Turn. Huge pines in the path of the wind were twisted off like matchsticks. Miss Forrester saw that the school building was directly in the course of the winds, and instead of dismissing school, she stood in the open door, with her hands stretched upward, and prayed for the storm to turn its course. As she prayed the wind-until snatched a gigantic oak by the roots, then swerved to the right, changing its course and leaving the school children unharmed. One half mile from Miss Forrester's school house, her brother J. H. Forrester lives. The storm destroyed his home completely, killing his wife and his small children, and injuring seriously their oldest boy, who was picked up later near a barn thirty yards away, having been blown from his living room. Other members of the family received minor injuries, but Mrs. Forrester, remembering that there is less danger in the rooms first struck by a gale, ran to the front of the house where her small children and although the wind blew down the house and a heavy drop and snow is forming drifts all along the lines, leading into the Chicago junctions. In Piqua, Ohio, the assistant to the director general reported that the temperature had fallen to 24 degrees below zero and that the condition was pretty general throughout the territory. As a result, the coal cars are freezing up, and the only relief that can possibly be brought at once, while in such a hood, is abolishing the passenger traffic west of Chicago. In the roads coming to the East there will be a curtailment, but the director general believes that a few days of any thing like fair weather will enable them to have the freight out of the way so that the passenger schedules may be maintained as near normal as the present emergency of war transportation will permit.

WILSON VIEWS ALLIED ARMY CHEER FRANCE, SAYS CRUPPI LEADERS JOIN IN WAR PLANS

Former French Minister Declares Morale of French People Unshaken. Pershing, Clemenceau and Haig Drop Formality in Mapping Campaign.

By ARTHUR S. DRAPER. Special Cable to The Washington Herald and New York Tribune. Paris, Jan. 12.—Jean Cruppi, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, thinks considerable progress toward peace has been made recently. President Wilson's recent declaration of war aims he considers the finest utterance of the century. "I talked with him today about the economic and political situation in France and found him sincerely optimistic," he said. "He is an American enthusiast and a great admirer of Wilson's statesmanship." France's morale, despite the hardships she is forced to bear, and the disappointment over the affairs of Russia, he says, is now excellent. "The most Frenchman, he is an American enthusiast and a great admirer of Wilson's statesmanship." "I have just returned from a stay in Southern France," he said. "In a little town of 700 people, where forty-two soldiers have been killed, but I found the morale of the people perfect. They are firmly determined to see the war through to victory. The country people are simpler and more idealistic than those of the city. The help America already has given, the honesty of her motives and her determination appeal to them and make a strong impression. Their morale could not be better. "The economic situation is improving under better regulations and there is naturally a political improvement. Clemenceau has the confidence of the people and his energy is prosecuting the war and winning approval in and out of the chamber of deputies." M. Cruppi, who is a French radical, corresponding to the British Conservative, became extremely enthusiastic when talking of the President's latest declaration of war aims. He said: "The President has done good work for peace. We quite agree with his statement of terms. His references to the invaded districts of France and Alsace-Lorraine pleased us greatly. No satisfactory peace is possible until France, but has made full reparation for damage done. There will be no lasting peace in Europe until France has recovered the provinces which were wrested from us. "I believe the German people are

HIT BY STREET CAR, DIES IN AMBULANCE

Austin Iardella, 40 Years Old, Victim of Accident. Walking into the path of a west-bound Capital Traction car at Delaware avenue and C streets, shortly after 7 o'clock last night, Austin Iardella, 40 years old, 224 Delaware avenue northeast, was knocked down and almost instantly killed. Iardella, it is said, walked behind an east bound car and failed to notice the approach of a car going in the opposite direction. He died in an ambulance on the way to the Casualty Hospital. The car was in charge of Conductor Houghton B. Riley, 1200 Thirty-fifth street northwest, and Motorman Eugene Hayes, 2403 H street northwest. They were taken to the Sixth precinct but were later released, pending the inquest, which will be held tomorrow afternoon. Iardella is survived by his mother and brother.

Passenger Travel on All Lines Curtailed to Move Freight. TEMPERATURE DROPS IN WEST AND SOUTH Mark of 23 Degrees Below Zero Is Reported in Pequa, Ohio. Almost complete paralysis of railroad traffic, due to the storm, was reported to Director General McAdoo yesterday afternoon. Orders will probably be sent out today suspending all passenger trains west of Chicago until freight traffic can be moved. Drastic authority has been given to A. H. Smith, director of transportation, to meet the situation. Passenger traffic east of Chicago will be curtailed to a minimum. Reports from many quarters, reaching the office of the Director General late yesterday, told of havoc wrought by the blizzard and wind storms. Bridges and trestles have been torn down, and in many places freight cars have been blown from the rails. Snow Halts Traffic. Mr. Smith called up Director General McAdoo late yesterday afternoon on the long distance telephone and reported that conditions are very bad in many sections. There has been a great deal of snow around Chicago and to the west and south. Cars, coal and passenger, are blocked up, and in some cases it will take several days to break out the freight trains. The temperature throughout the Middle West has taken a heavy drop and snow is forming drifts all along the lines, leading into the Chicago junctions. In Piqua, Ohio, the assistant to the director general reported that the temperature had fallen to 24 degrees below zero and that the condition was pretty general throughout the territory. As a result, the coal cars are freezing up, and the only relief that can possibly be brought at once, while in such a hood, is abolishing the passenger traffic west of Chicago. In the roads coming to the East there will be a curtailment, but the director general believes that a few days of any thing like fair weather will enable them to have the freight out of the way so that the passenger schedules may be maintained as near normal as the present emergency of war transportation will permit.

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